

Instructions for the Raven Inlay Kit



This kit has a total of 8 pieces in this kit. Temporarily insert the brass tube from your pen kit into the grey background barrel for support while assembling the pieces of this kit. The red moon (#2) is the first piece to put in place. Next will be the Raven body, Piece #4. Insert the Raven body tail first. Next will be Piece #3 the head. Use 1 or 2 of the supplied elastic bands to secure these pieces in place. Insert both leg pieces talon first and finally #7 the beak and #8 the eye. Carefully remove the brass tube, check to see that all of the pieces are well seated and then apply thin CA (Cyanoacrylate) glue to all of the seams.

Now we'll glue the brass tube into the barrel. Check the fit of the tube as you might have to lightly sand the inside of the blank for a good fit. If you do, wrap a small dowel with 100G sandpaper and sand the inside of the barrel until the tube fits.

Use 2-part epoxy to glue in the brass tube. Make sure the tube is perfectly centered so there's the same

amount of space on either end. Once the glue has cured, sand the ends flush with the brass tube using a belt or disc sander. Don't use a barrel trimmer. Now you can mount the blank on the lathe for final turning and finishing.

Apply whatever finish you're comfortable with as they all work well with these inlay kits. E-mail me at kallenshaan@cox.net with any thoughts or ideas regarding this or any of our other kits.

